as warranted, <u>storing</u> a value that references <u>the arriving</u> [this] ATM cell [is stored] as the frame start identifier, so that the ATM cells of the appertaining frame cannot be removed from the waiting list.

IN THE ABSTRACT

5   Amend the abstract as follows:

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

<u>A</u> [The invention is directed to a] method for [the] removal of ATM cells (2, 6) from an ATM communications device wherein ATM cells (2, 3, 5, 6) are respectively allocated in pluralities to a common frame (8, 9), whereby all ATM

10   cells (2...6) of a frame (9) whose first ATM cell (2) is in the waiting list (1) are removed from a waiting list (1) for the administration of a sequence of ATM cells (2, 3, 4, 5, 6). [In particular, the] <u>The</u> method makes it possible to quickly and efficiently create space for cells having a higher priority in the ATM communications device.

15   [Fig. 1]